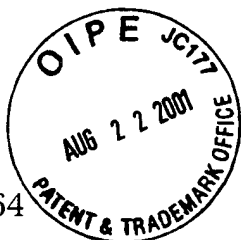


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Sir:

In response to the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application filed under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) - Filing Date Granted" mailed August 14, 2001 (copy enclosed), Applicants respectfully submit herewith the Declaration and Power of Attorney duly executed by the inventors.

A check for the statutory fee of \$130.00 is attached. Please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this paper is also attached.

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Under "Foreign Applications," change the second-listed priority application data to read as follows:

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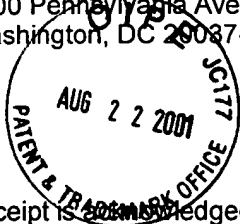
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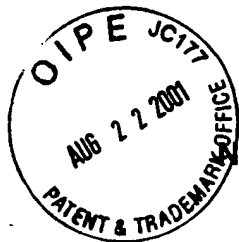
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